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Replace the title with the following new title:

-- THYMIDYLATE SYNTHASE GENE SEQUENCE VARIANCES HAVING UTILITY IN DETERMINING THE TREATMENT OF DISEASE--

In the specification:

Insert the enclosed Sequence Listing into the specification after the Oath and Declaration. Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 8, with the following new paragraph:

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